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Fiscal fate of universities relies on tobacco plan

Universities could face across-the-board cuts in state funding

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

As universities across the state
of Missouri prepare for the 2004
fiscal year, an unexpected road-
block has emerged from Gov. Bob

Holden's office.

Late Monday evening, Holden
released information about a pos-
sible budget cut that would affect
elementary, secondary and higher
education.

The possible budget cut hinges
on the Tobacco Securitization
Plan, which will be voted on by
the state legislature in mid-Febru-
ary. If it does not pass, more than
\$2.9 million will be cut from the
Northwest budget. A tuition in-
crease is projected if the cut hap-
pens.

The Securitization Plan dates

back to 1998 when tobacco com-
panies were faced with a lawsuit
that involved every state.

Since that time, each state is
given a certain amount of money
each year. However, if a state
chooses to take the yearly loan
early, it is known as securitization,
and it must be passed by the legis-
lature. In the state of Missouri,
Holden has declared he will do just
that. If the plan is denied, \$351
million will be cut from the state
education fund.

The university that will be af-
fected the most is University of

Missouri-Columbia, which
would receive a \$41.5 million
cut.

Chris Kelly, director of com-
munication at the Missouri De-
partment of Higher Education,
said the governor has no other
options.

"It's the only plan in tact," Kelly
said. "If somebody offers a plan,
he will consider it. But, right now,
the options are few and far be-
tween."

The projected budget cut is
based on a 10 percent cut from the
total budget from every university,

high school and elementary school.
Central Missouri State University
will face a \$5.6 million cut while
Missouri Western and Missouri
Southern state colleges will both face
a \$1.98 million deficit.

Jack Cardetti, spokesman for
Gov. Holden's office, said the plan
passed in 2002 when the House
of Representatives and the Senate
both overwhelmingly voted in fa-
vor of the bill. The final vote has
to come from the state legislature
before Gov. Holden can take the
loan out and distribute it through-
out the state.

Cardetti said Holden does not
have any university budget cuts in
store for the 2004 fiscal year.

At Northwest, the fiscal year
for 2003 will end June 30, with
the 2004 fiscal year beginning
July 1.

Ray Courter, vice president of
Finance, said the University should
be prepared for the worst.

"My sense is it probably won't
turn out that way. My guess is we'll
probably end up seeing some
cuts...Undoubtedly, it will also
mean some tuition increases for
next year."

Up in smoke...

■ If the securitization mea-
sure does not pass, colleges
and universities would suffer
a 10 percent across-the-
board withholding from their
budgets. How much will be
cut from Northwest and
other schools?

School	Money cut
MU	\$41,475,642
SMSU	\$8,099,941
CMSU	\$5,608,571
NWMSU	\$2,924,594
MWSC	\$1,988,917



Despite the trouble in her homeland of Afghanistan, international student
Maleena Mansoor has a positive outlook. Mansoor said the Northwest

community is welcoming to all students that choose to attend the school.
She has been a student at Northwest since 1998.

PHOTO BY KERRY JONES/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Students find welcome home

Discrimination, prejudice have no place at Northwest

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

At the beginning of the fall trimes-
ter, many students come from surround-
ing areas only two to four hours from
home.

But for students like Jahee Kim of
South Korea, going back home is not

easy, and the thought of being a world
away from her home country can be
frightening. Not only that, but with the
United States heightening wariness of a
future war, students from overseas may
be scared for their lives.

Kim, who is originally from Seoul, is
separated from her family and her home
country by a 20-hour flight, and a 12-
hour time difference.

South Koreans have seen many
changes within their country since the
FIFA World Cup was played in June, but
North Korea is in need of attention, ac-
cording to Kim.

"In South Korea, the economy was a
lot better after the World Cup," she said.
"In North Korea, nobody can move out,
and they can't eat very much."

Despite the turmoil going on in
North Korea, Kim said South Korea has
tried to help their neighboring country.

"South Korea tried to communicate
with North Korea, and then South Ko-
rea told the U.S., 'Don't start a war with
them,'" Kim said. "It depends on what
North Korea does now, and not what
South Korea does."

When Kim first came to the United
States more (please see "Hope" page 54)

Hudson residents sleep easy, culprit caught for false alarms

Residents' statements lead to arrest of Tobin

By MICHELLE STACY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Hudson Hall residents
should now be able to sleep
thanks to the apprehension of
the student responsible for pull-
ing several of the fire alarms.

Freshman Timothy J. Tobin,
originally from Jacksonville, Ill.,
was arrested Jan. 22 after Cam-
pus Safety received statements
from students saying he was re-
sponsible. Tobin was held in the
Nodaway County Jail after his
arrest during the 20-hour investi-
gation.

Tobin was charged with two
counts of class "B" misde-
meanor of making a false report

for pulling fire alarms on two
occasions.

Tobin will be prosecuted in
state court because the offense
happened on campus.

Tobin's arraignment is sched-
uled for 9 a.m. on Feb. 18. If he
pleads guilty, the judge will set
a punishment that day. If Tobin
pleads not guilty to the charges,
the judge will set a trial date.

If Tobin is found guilty, the
punishment could range from a
fine of \$1 to \$500, one day to
six months in jail or both.

However, this is not the only
judicial process he will go
through. At the time of the ar-
rest, Campus Safety also issued
Tobin a summons to be charged
through the University.

According to the judicial
code in the Northwest Student
Handbook, Tobin is accused of
committing a class "C" viola-
tion. Tobin must go before the

Student-
Faculty
Disciplinary
Committee.

This committee is com-
prised of four fac-
ulty mem-
bers, four
students and a non-voting fac-
ulty chair. At this hearing, Tobin
will be allowed to plead "in viola-
tion" or "not in violation." He
will then be allowed to speak
and present evidence on his be-
half. After closing statements,
the committee will decide
whether or not he is in viola-
tion. If found in violation, the
committee will agree on appro-
priate sanctions. The sanctions
range in various degrees from a
warning (please see "Alarm" page 54)



TJ TOBIN

Salary compression causes concern for Northwest faculty, staff members

Budget cuts, economy affecting yearly salaries of Northwest faculty

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

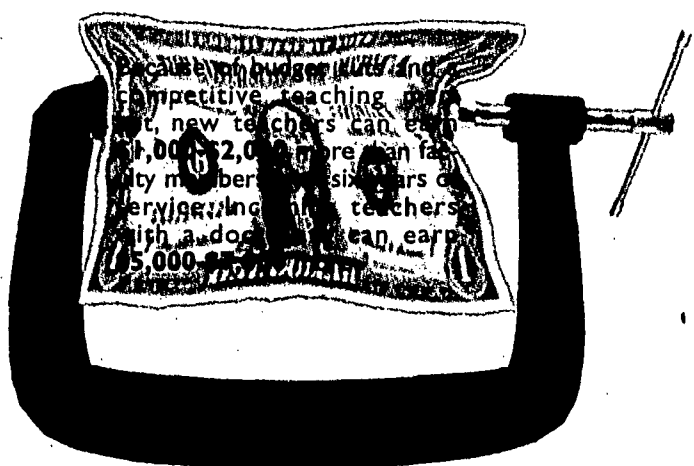
With the future of Missouri
universities hanging in the bal-
ance, the disparity in salaries of
experienced faculty and first-
year faculty has become a point
of contention.

And with that comes discus-
sion about market value and the
effect it can have on salary com-
pression.

Salary compression occurs
when an organization fails to
recognize seniority, or the length
of time an employee has spent
at an institution, while receiv-
ing compensation increases and
meeting current market values.

With the budget at a level of
uncertainty, nobody knows
what to expect in the coming
years. But should the state of
Missouri cut more money from
the budget, the University will
likely be affected.

Not only will Northwest
have to look at compression but
also at market value, which is
the average amount being paid
towards a specific University job
on a national scale.



Cindy Kenkel, marketing
management instructor, said it
is possible that a first-year em-
ployee may be making \$1,000
to \$2,000 more than an em-
ployee that has been here for six
years. She also said that a can-
didate with a doctorate may be
making \$5,000 to \$7,000 more
than a professor that has been
here for a six-year period.

Kenkel said everyone in her
department is aware of the situ-
ation, as it affects the entire
University.

Last year, the University was
forced to cut all pay raises from
the budget because of the higher
education crisis that occurred
throughout the state.

Mary Throener, director of
Human Resources Manage-

ment, said salary compression is
not a major factor in the big
picture.

"Salary compression" has
happened to some degree in the
faculty ranks only," Throener
said. "I wouldn't say it's a major
problem. (The University) has
had some new hirings where
you have to try and attract
someone into that discipline...
but it's not something that is
happening all across the board."

Provost Taylor Barnes said
the national averages have in-
creased more than the cost of
living adjustment (COLA),
which is also considered the in-
flation rate, and the University
has been paying that rate to new
employees. However, employees
that (please see "Salaries" page 54)

President delivers stern message to Iraq in State of the Union address

Bush also unveils AIDS relief package for Africa

By BILL KNUST
EDITOR IN CHIEF

With a stern tone in his voice
and a focused look in his eyes,
President George W. Bush
changed the tone of his State of
the Union address, Tuesday
night.

Bush started the night ad-
dressing homeland affairs such
as the economy, Medicare, in-
come taxes, unemployment and
"energy independence" for the
United States.

That part of the speech drew
applause after every sentence,

but once his speech turned to
foreign policy, the members of
Congress grew silent and Bush
turned serious.

"It was kind of a dual
speech," said Richard Fulton,
professor of political science.
"He wanted to attack people's
concerns about internal prob-
lems in the economy and then
the war stuff."

Although he did not declare
war, Bush made it clear that he
was not afraid to go to war with
any country, despite the disap-
proval of other nations.

"All free nations have a stake
in preventing sudden and cata-
strophic attack," Bush said.
"And we are asking them to join
us. And many are doing so. Yet,
the course of this nation does
not depend on the decisions of
others. Whatever action is re-

quired, whenever action is nec-
essary, I will defend the freedom
and security of the American
people."

Bush then listed Iraqi leader
Saddam Hussein's failures to
comply with U.N. demands,
including the following:

More than 25,000 liters of
anthrax are unaccounted for,
and Hussein has not shown any
evidence of destroying the ma-
terial.

The materials Hussein has to
produce 500 tons of nerve
toxin.

30,000 munitions Hussein
has that can carry chemical
agents. Although the United
Nations recently found 16 of
those munitions, Bush said
29,984 were still unaccounted
for.

Mobile biological weapons

labs, gathering materials to pro-
duce an atomic bomb and harsh
punishments to children and
adults were other wrongdoings,
Bush said.

But Mark Jelavich, professor
of accounting, economics and
finance, said the accusations
were not unknown already.

"I personally don't like the
idea, and I am not really con-
vinced yet that we need to go to
war," Jelavich said.

Fulton agreed with Jelavich.
He said the information was
nothing new to him and that
Iran, Libya and Syria were also
guilty of many of the same
things that Iraq is.

Unlike Fulton and Jelavich,
Sen. Kit Bond of Missouri agreed
with Bush's assessment on Iraq.

"If the Sept. 11th attacks
taught (please see "Speech" page 54)

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What does Julian think
about long distance relation-
ships? Has he ever experi-
enced true love and what is the
white, creamy stuff coming out
of the faucets in the high rises?
Julian reveals all in this
week's Ask Julian.



Can death be cheated
again? For a review of "Final
Destination 2" check the Buzz
Friday to get the lowdown on
this week's new release.

Poll question:

What do you think of the
reinstatement of all-you-
can-drink specials?

37% - Is it Thursday
yet? I love to drink

32% - Who cares
about the bars.

23% - All right! I love
drunk chicks!

8% - I am against it, I work
for Public Safety.

This week's poll question:

What do you think
student's views are
about foreign
exchange students?

■ Generally positive.
■ Neutral
■ I am not fond of
them.
■ Foreign guys get all
the ladies.

Students help others with income taxes

By MARK EUSTON
CHIEF REPORTER

For more than 20 years, the Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) group has been conducting a program for students and low-income members of the community on income tax preparation.

This year, the program will run Wednesday nights in Colden Hall 3400 from Feb. 5 to April 9.

Roger Woods, assistant professor of accounting, economics and finance, has conducted the program in past years and will also be the head of the program this year.

Woods will be assisted by several students who are majoring in accounting.

"(For students assisting), it will be a community service project and something that they can put on their resume," Woods said.

The tax preparation is open only to students and those members of the community who fall into the low-income tax bracket.

Woods stated that the reason for this was that the Internal Revenue Service intended it for people who couldn't normally pay for someone to do their taxes.

Last year VITA prepared over 470 tax returns for students and Woods said that this year should not be any different.

"Last year we prepared tax returns

for about 150 people," Woods said. "This year we expect to do anywhere from 100-200."

At the IRS-sponsored program, VITA can do one of two things. They can show participants how to do their taxes by walking them through the process, or VITA can complete them for participant.

"Most people choose to let us do their taxes for them, and when that happens they can usually expect a turnaround of about a week," Woods said.

Woods said that doing tax returns, especially the state returns, can often be very difficult.

"Federal returns are typically pretty easy," Woods said. "However, for students, state returns can often be very difficult. Mainly because they have to do multiple state returns, one from their home state and one for the state that they work in."

Tax returns are not only time consuming for students, but they are also time consuming for VITA as well.

"It often takes us a great deal of time because we have to work with tax returns from as many as 17 or 18 different states," Woods said.

Woods said that those planning on attending should bring their W2 forms and 1099s, as well as scholarship information and tuition information for those eligible to claim credits on tuition.

A major exploration



PHOTO BY JANELLE DAVID/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
Freshmen Brad Zink, computer science, and Candace Baier, elementary education, look at information from displays Tuesday during Northwest's semiannual Exploring Majors Day. Approximately 40 students attended the event, which took place on the third floor of the Student Union. The event was sponsored by Career Services.

Team Leadership prepares for annual training conference

By SARAH DITTMANN
COPY EDITOR

Northwest Team Leadership will play host to the fifth annual Team Leadership conference Friday and Saturday.

Ken Staack, a member of the board of directors for the Team Leadership Conference is hoping that students will take part in the conference even if they are not members of Team Leadership.

"(The conference) is just to get everyone at Northwest and the surrounding five-state area an opportunity to come to Northwest and build on their leadership skills," he said. "It's not designed for any particular leader."

The conference begins at 5 p.m. Friday and runs all day Saturday. Activities include keynote speaker Jon Hockman, founder and president of Dream Dare Do, as well as various workshops.

Staack encouraged students to think about joining Team Leadership if they are thinking about holding other leadership positions on campus.

"It's a springboard to holding leadership positions in other organizations so it really gives you a chance to practice your leadership abilities and build on them," Staack said.

Students wanting to attend the conference should contact the Office of Campus Activities at 562-1535. The cost is \$15.

Governor appoints newest regents

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

One former Secret Service agent and one vice president for a major holding company are the newest members of the Board of Regents for the St. Louis and Kansas City areas.

Don Schneider, 57, and Karen Daniel, 45, who are both Northwest alumni, have been appointed by Gov. Bob Holden after University President Dean Hubbard recommended both of them for the position openings.

Schneider, who lives in Wildwood, Mo., will represent the St. Louis area while Daniel, who resides in Overland Park, Kan., will represent Kansas City.

Schneider spent 29 years with the Secret Service. During his time, he fol-

lowed presidents from Richard Nixon to Bill Clinton.

Daniel served as a CPA for one of the 'Big Eight' accounting firms, before becoming the vice president of finance for Black and Veatch Holding Company.

Hubbard said the University expanded the Board of Regents area from 19 counties to 21. Both of the new regents were submitted to Holden's office. Hubbard said the governor usually gathers names and recommendations for possible candidates.

Hubbard said both regents will fit the job nicely.

"Both of these people are just remarkable people in their own right," Hubbard said. "They are professionals, extremely successful in their own careers, and then, added to that, they have a very, very deep and consistent, abiding commitment to Northwest."

Faculty art exhibit ends with presentations, panels

By GINNY FRANCIS
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After a two-week faculty art exhibit, students were able to ask art professors about real world experiences as artists Monday night.

A question and answer session brought out childhood memories and words of wisdom from professors who experienced a lot in the world of art.

Gallery director Phil Laber reminisced about telling his parents his plan to pursue art as a career.

"My father was thrilled," Laber said. "But I knew, in the back of his mind, he was hesitant because he didn't know if I could make a good enough living."

Questions concerning good marketing techniques were also addressed to students worried about supporting their careers.

"To be successful, you have to be just as good a businessman as an artist," Laber said.

"You have to make yourself known and prepare yourself for rejection at the same time."

Following the panel session, faculty artists exhibited their work at the gallery and were open to discuss any questions about the artwork they had displayed.

Associate professor Craig Warner, who specializes in graphic design, displayed his artwork in a portfolio snapshot on a wide screen television.




PHOTO BY KERRY JONES/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Russell Schmaljohn, assistant professor of art and George Rose, retired Northwest art professor examine artwork in the Olive DeLuce Gallery. Art professors gathered to field questions from Northwest students about their experiences in the art industry.

Warner left the business world and turned to teaching after he felt satisfied with his accomplishments. "It's much more fulfilling to make my students successful," said Warner.



Art students ended the night by sponsoring a \$3 chili dinner in order to raise money to attend the International Studies Tour.

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Murder plea changes, finalizes court decision

By ABBY SIMONS
MANAGING EDITOR

Days before standing trial for the murder of a Maryville toddler, 22-year-old Michael Beattie changed his plea to guilty in Nodaway County court last week.

Beattie, who is charged with second degree murder and two counts of felony child endangerment in the January 2002 death of 2-year-old Dayun Boatwright, originally pleaded not guilty to the charges.

According to court documents, Beattie admitted that he hit, struck or shook Boatwright and two other children, ages 4 and 1, also causing Boatwright's head to strike a wall or flat object resulting in the toddler's death two days later at Children's Mercy Medical Center in Kansas City.

A three-day jury trial was scheduled to commence Wednesday in Atchison County before Judge Roger Prokes on a requested change of venue by Beattie.

Nodaway County prosecuting attorney David Baird said he had prepared approximately 15 witnesses for the case when he was contacted the morning of Jan. 23 by Beattie's attorney, Jeff Stephens, informing Baird that Beattie had made the decision to change his

pleas to guilty and have the punishment set by the court.

Despite his surprise at the plea change, Baird said he was pleased with the new circumstances.

"Obviously when a plea change occurs, it allows us to obtain a conviction and avoid the necessity of family and witnesses having to go through the trial," Baird said. "With this plea of guilty, there is no right to appeal, so when the judge makes the sentence, it will be the final point of the case."

Prokes ordered a pre-trial investigation by the Missouri Department of Probation and Parole prior to sentencing, which was scheduled for 1 p.m., March 10, in Nodaway County.

Beattie currently remains in the Nodaway County Jail.

The murder charge carries a range of 10 to 30 years in prison or life imprisonment. The child endangerment charge carries a sentence of one to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

Boatwright's mother, Amy Clark, 22, will stand trial in Holt County Feb. 27 on four counts of felony endangering the welfare of a child for "knowingly acting in a manner that created a substantial risk to the life, body and health of her children" for allegedly having left the children in the care of



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER
Flanked by defense attorney Jeff Stephens, 22-year-old Michael Beattie, Maryville, looks on while changing his plea to guilty in Nodaway County court Thursday. Beattie is charged with second degree murder in the death of 2-year-old Dayun Boatwright.

Beattie, her boyfriend, after he had previously subjected them to physical abuse. Clark, who is represented by Michelle Trent of St.

Joseph, initially pleaded guilty to the charges but reversed her plea in August to not guilty. Clark has been free on bond since April.

Bioterrorism threats force officials to prepare for worst

By STEPHANIE SUCKOW
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

The threat of bioterrorism brought together police, health care and Red Cross officials from Nodaway and other surrounding counties Friday for a bioterrorism-planning meeting.

This was one of many federally funded meetings that are being held throughout Missouri and throughout the nation in order to prepare for the possibility of a smallpox epidemic.

"The federal level is taking the initiative to prepare," said Rob Brown, regional response planner. "This forum is being funded through the homeland security bill and is meant to decrease the threat of smallpox."

The overall goal of the meeting was to coordinate and write out specific plans each area of protection would take if the threat were to become a reality, Brown said.

Local public health care officials were introduced to their responsibilities, which included monitoring public health status, diagnosing and investigating problems and informing and educating the public about circumstances that arise.

The featured speaker, medical epidemiologist Marguerite Persi was present to help these officials better understand smallpox in order to help inform their public.

Persi explained that anthrax, smallpox and the flu all begin with the same

symptoms, which is why it is so important to be able to differentiate among them, especially with the flu epidemic that northwest Missouri has been experiencing.

"We're in a state of concern, and rightly so," Persi said. "It's better to prepare and go through protocol. We hope to be calm, cool and collected. That's why we're doing this, to be prepared."

If and when an individual becomes infected with smallpox, steps must be taken in order to keep officials and the public calm, Persi said.

"We don't want any false alarms," Persi said. "Once a person is believed to have smallpox it's important to begin by calling the local health care department first. If it remains a serious problem it will move to the state department where investigations will occur. If these investigations prove positive, it will then move to the national level."

Vaccination procedures are also being put into affect beginning Feb. 7. Public health personnel who will be members of investigation teams on both local and state levels will be receiving the smallpox vaccine. Medical personnel also involved with investigation teams will follow Feb. 24.

"These procedures are all part of a pre-event to prepare for what we need to do and who will be involved," Persi said. "There is a fear right now. What we're trying to do is eliminate it."

Citizens voice opinions



PHOTO BY SARA RUZICKA/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
Jarred W. Kutz, representative of congressman Sam Graves, takes note during the mobile office tour held Monday at the courthouse. A number of citizens appeared to voice questions and concerns with Graves' staff.

School board plans future of district, hires new bond agency

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

Finally, a bonding agency has been selected, and the Maryville School Board will now move forward with their proposal to put Proposition 2 on the April 8 ballot.

On Monday, the Maryville School Board called a special meeting at which a bonding agency was selected to further plans of construction and renovation of current buildings in the school district.

Both Larry J. Hart and Co. and Piper Jaffray were being considered for the position, but the board voted in favor of hiring Piper Jaffray.

Reese said Piper Jaffray was favored by the board because of the company's work with the City of Maryville as well

as Northwest.

The board also chose Piper Jaffray based on their confidence in the projections the firm suggested.

"I believe the board is confident that they are presenting a proposal to meet the district's facilities' needs without increasing the tax levy," Reese said.

Reese said Piper Jaffray will serve as the district's financial advisor and bond underwriter for the \$7.35 million bond issue.

Maryville School Board President Mark Watkins said he is anticipating working with a firm who has expertise and the experience.

"I am looking forward to working with a firm who already has knowledge of our community," said Watkins.

As of Tuesday, the school board filed their bond proposal to the county clerk,

and now the board will continue to work with the building committees, architects and bonding consultants to determine what it can do with the revenue from selling bonds.

"We plan to get as many of our facility needs completed as we can with the funding we have," Reese said.

Proposition 2 includes the construction of new classrooms and renovations in both Eugene Field Elementary and Maryville High School which includes the high school track. The board also hopes to complete immediate maintenance needs and roof repair at both schools and the technical school.

Also, at the school board's regular meeting on Jan. 22, the board approved the 14 salvage bids for items in the Washington School Building.

Some of these items include doors,

shelving, cabinets and a large steam engine.

"The steam engine was purchased by the Old Thresher's Reunion in Mount Pleasant, Iowa," Reese said. "It will become a permanent display at their show each September."

These salvage companies will have until March 12 to take the items on which they bid from the building.

At the Feb. 12 meeting, the board will accept bids to demolish the building. Then, on Feb. 19 the bidders will make a presentation, and a decision will be made soon after to choose the agency.

The board hopes to begin demolishing the building no later than May 1. The demolition of the building is expected to take 150 days from the date the project begins.

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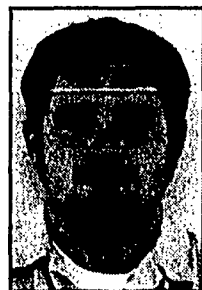
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Economic forums serve wrong purpose

As I write this column, nearly 30,000 delegates from every corner of the globe are attending sessions to help plan the economic future of all of the world's citizens.

Unfortunately, I'm not talking about the World Economic Forum in Switzerland, but the World Social Forum, "the peoples' United Nations," in Brazil.

The World Economic Forum (WEF)—the yearly meeting of the world's most powerful corporate and governmental elite in the fittingly remote mountain city of Davos—is currently taking place. Only the future its participants are planning has nothing to do with most of the world's citizens. Instead, its purpose is to continue to shape globalization so that the vast majority of global citizens are used for cheap labor, and the profits of multinational corporations are put before workers' rights, environmental concerns, human necessities and the sovereignty of governments.

The World Social Forum (WSF), on the other hand, has people as its focal point, not profits. The event is now annually held in Porto Alegre, a small city in southern Brazil that is considered the United Nations' model of good government because of its participatory administration methods, and is attended by over 100,000 people.

The forum's participants are there to articulate realistic ways to ensure that economic globalization benefits the working people of the world.

Contrary to the 'anti-globalization' label that the WSF's participants are often given in the media, the people involved are actually very much in favor of globalization, but with common sense conditions. Essentially, they argue that globalization should mean that more of the world's people have access to basic necessities of life, that "free trade" must also be fair trade, that our natural environment will remain livable, and that workers, from steel men in Kansas to seamstresses in China, should have some control over the international agreements and treaties that impact their lives.

Indeed, much of the reason they are holding the WSF is because our leaders have intentionally left the public out of the major agreements on international trade and investment that are shaping the 21st Century.

American workers, which, until this year, were drastically under-represented at WSF, have historically been slow to connect their own interests with those of workers abroad. But, in recent years, as so-called free trade agreements (that essentially allow massive corporations to become legally more powerful than governments), U.S. workers have seen their jobs move to places where workers can be more easily exploited.

And now the supposedly nonexistent class lines between the haves and have-nots are becoming even clearer in the United States. A major study by Purdue University spanning more than 20 years has revealed that the celebrated, ever-increasing social mobility in the United States—you know, that's supposed to make it possible for anyone to grow up to be anything—is a lie. In fact, it has actually decreased over the last 25 years.

While unemployment continues to rise and real wages for average workers continue to decline, the top end of the spectrum continues to gain. According to Fortune magazine, the average real annual compensation for America's top 100 CEOs in 1970 was 40 times that of the average worker. By 1998, those CEOs were averaging 1,000 times the salary of their workers. Meanwhile, even our president preaches the meritocracy myth while benefiting from a family that's the nearest thing we have to royalty.

With that in mind, U.S. workers are beginning to recognize that the only sane and just globalization will be one built democratically around stability and opportunity for workers, not just the multinationals that employ them. That's why U.S. workers sent one of the largest delegations to this year's World Social Forum.

And this year, for the first time, a few world leaders spoke at WSF on their way to Switzerland. Now let's just hope they'll bring the "Another World is Possible" slogan with them when they go.

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Our View

A disappointing decision

With the celebrated return of all-you-can-drink specials also come the risks that entail

On Jan. 15, the World Famous Outback reintroduced binge drinking to the bar scene at a premium price.

Although the student body at Northwest may have let out a collective cheer, *The Missourian* chooses to look down on this decision and the chain reaction it has spurred from other bars.

An agreement among Maryville drinking establishments to stop all-you-can-drink specials for the fall trimester came to an end in December, and the agreement was not renewed, much to the displeasure of the city of Maryville and the City Council.

Among the reasons the agreement was reached was that bar owners were complaining that they could not control their crowds, so stopping the specials was perceived as something that would put an end to that.

And it did. Peace disturbances, arrests, unruly

crowds and service calls were down, Keith Wood, director of Public Safety said.

But another thing was down too: profits and people frequenting the bars. Mick Hoskey, owner of Molly's, said in the Jan. 23 edition of *The Missourian* that "We spent the last six months fighting to get all the business we could."

But, if this gentlemen's agreement between the bars meant so much to Maryville and the City Council, how come nothing was done to try and spur another agreement?

It seems the city wants to complain about the situation, but it has done nothing to help itself out. So, if they are going to blame the bars, they should look in the mirror and realize they are partly to blame as well.

Another gentlemen's agreement seems to be unlikely for this trimester, but the city should take some initiative and try and reinstitute one for the fall trimester of 2003. And then, they

should attempt to extend the agreement the following trimester and possibly further.

Bars should not encourage binge drinking, which is what these specials do. If a person wants to drink themselves to a drunken stupor, then they should have to go to the store, buy the alcohol and do it in the privacy of their own homes.

With the economy in a recession right now, it is understandable that these specials drive up the profits for bars, but they also drive up binge drinking, disturbances, fights and unruly crowds, the same problems that spurred the agreement in June.

Wasn't this what the bars were complaining about? Perhaps when presented with the problem of lower profits or tough-to-handle crowds, the decision wasn't a tough one to make.

The problem is the easy decision is not always the right one.

Letter to the Editor

Northwest alumnus disagrees with columnist's antiwar views regarding Iraq

Dear Jed,

I wanted you to know how much I loved your column last week. I haven't heard such a great argument for appeasement of a dictator since Neville Chamberlain winked and nodded at Adolf Hitler.

Before addressing the flaws in your logic for not waging a war against an evil man and regime, let's look at some other aspects of your column.

How in the world could Donald Rumsfeld visit Iraq when they were gassing the Kurds? He served under President Ford and was a congressman before that, but the gassing didn't occur until the 1980s when he was a private citizen. Also in 1998, the weapons inspectors were expelled from Iraq and didn't leave on their own accord because they did find weapons of mass destruction.

Despite the U.S. Senate's 98-0 vote in 1998 on an Iraqi war resolution, Clinton was too busy trying to avoid impeachment to worry about the security of the very people he took an oath of office to protect.

Let's continue, shall we? You mentioned that they haven't found any chemical weapons, but what about the nearly 20 chemical warheads discovered (due to help from our CIA)? For some reason, I don't think those were used to hold jelly beans.

You also seem to put a lot of faith and trust in the United Nations and international law. That's fine, but what about the 16 resolutions that Iraq has flaunted and ignored since the 1991 Gulf War? If law is not followed, then the body that issues them becomes superfluous. As for this war being about

oil, tell that to the Iraqi men, women, and children that beg for the freedoms that ordinary Americans like you and me exercise everyday.

Speaking of everyday, since your column seems to be based on so much and my letter in response is also steeped in it, the 1960s was a great decade, wasn't it? Look at how many '60s protesters are reliving their hey-day and the youngsters trying to create their own by protesting in the streets (curiously absent when Kosovo was getting bombed without U.N. support). Hypocritical and pathetic. The protesters are so old that most of them appear lost and wandering aimlessly. If you were really concerned, you would help them out as they qualify as elderly and bring them walkers, and wheelchairs. I'm in San Francisco, where protesting is a profes-

sion. These ain't your mom-and-pop protests.

In fairness, I want to give you the benefit of the doubt. You do sound sincere and concerned about the coming war and that's great. Good for you. It's nice to see young people take an interest in world affairs. I just think you're setting the bar too low. If you really mean what you say, why not put your money where your mouth is? Why don't you become a human shield and then you'll really have some stories to tell.

Just let me know when, and I'll get a ticket for you on that psychedelic VW bus ride to Baghdad.

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"What the hell is up with assignments being due on Saturdays and Sundays? Class goes from Monday through Friday."

"I think it really kicks ass that the bathrooms on campus don't really smell that much like pee. Except for in the residence halls. Gross."

"Have you ever taken a dump so big your pants fit better? That's what I just did."

"If people from Iowa are so proud of where they came from, why are they going to school in Missouri?"

"Will somebody please tell the people at the Union to change the pop in the fountain machines once in a while? What is that? If I wanted to drink water, I'd go to the water fountain, and if I wanted watered-down pop, I'd reach for my can of pop that has been open for the last week. I'm out."

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HOPE from 1A

Students experience minimal harassment

than two years ago, she could not speak English. But after going through the English as a Second Language program at Northwest, Kim is now fluent in English.

Kim said one problem she has in Maryville is the lack of knowledge people have about South Korea.

"One person asked me, 'Where are you from?' and I told them I was from South Korea, and they said, 'Oh, you're still in the Korean War,'" Kim said. "(American students) need some education about that stuff because there are some things they don't know."

Another area of the world that has been the center of attention for the last two years is Afghanistan.

Mahleena Mansoor is originally from Afghanistan, but at the age of 5, she moved to Saudi Arabia.

However, she said she still had trouble getting into a university when she was looking for a country to study at. In Saudi Arabia, she was denied admission because she was not a citizen of Saudi Arabia.

"Each country rejected my application because of my nationality and my background," Mansoor said. "We (Afghans) are not responsible for anything. (Osama bin Laden) just involved our country's name."

Mansoor eventually applied for a visa and was accepted to Northwest. Since her arrival in 1998, her experience has gone well, she said.

"I think, at Northwest, everyone is welcome here," Mansoor said. "(The University) works well with all international students. It's a small community and everyone knows everyone."

Mansoor said other universities in the United States have discriminated against her because of her nationality. Not only that, but said she gets scared sometimes. "(People) think if you're from Afghanistan, you're a terrorist, which isn't true," Mansoor said. "It makes you wonder, 'Why are you accusing me? Because I have different color? At nights, when I walked home before Sept. 11, it was okay. But now, when I walk alone, I don't feel comfortable.'"

Students who are farther away from South Korea and Afghanistan are still affected in different ways.

Gelina Fontaine, a student from the



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Despite recent criticism and heavy scrutiny toward Mideastern nations, Mahleena Mansoor, a native of Afghanistan, has experienced little trouble on the Northwest campus.

Commonwealth of Dominica, which is located in the Eastern Caribbean, said she has been discriminated against while in the United States.

When Fontaine went to a bank to exchange Canadian dollars for American dollars, the clerk told her that she had to wait one to two weeks before she would get the currency. Fontaine said it usually only takes a few minutes to make the exchange.

"Our countries are usually called 'Third World' countries, but you can usually get money transferred just like that. I was like, 'This is America?' We

expect more (from the United States) because it's advertised that we should get more in this country."

Fontaine has seen racial profiling while here but said it comes with the territory.

"I've seen (prejudice) happen (on campus) already," Fontaine said. "(Foreign exchange students) just have to be prepared and know what steps to take if they find themselves in that situation. Don't be innocent and yet look guilty or feel insuperior. Shape up and stand up for who you are, where you come from and what you believe in."

SALARIES from 1A

Budget crunch results in lower faculty pay

have been here for a longer period of time did not receive that increase.

Barnes said the University has been unable to do a marketing adjustment for several years. A marketing adjustment would bring employees that have been at Northwest for one or more years further up on the pay scale in comparison to first-year employees.

"We haven't done marketing adjustments for several years," Barnes said. "But when the state's economy gets better, we want to go back for market adjustments, and not just faculty, but the whole staff, because they're affected by the same thing."

In January 2001, Northwest came out with a new compensation structure, which outlines the COLA and the market adjustments for the administrative and professional staff, the faculty and the support staff.

Ray Courter, vice president of

Finance, said the compensation plan can be complicated.

"You start with the general concept, and then people begin to look at data, and there are misinterpretations," Courter said. "There's a gap because we're not paying up to the market."

Courter said the argument is not in regards to whether or not there is gap, but how big the gap is.

"All things being equal," Courter said, "the longer you're here, one would think, you're going to rise in salary... and that doesn't always hold true because we have to compete out in the market place for people."

The College and University Personnel Association (CUPA) is an organization on which the University relies for data, statistics, analysis that represent higher education at the national level.

Kenkel said the University should continue to hire at a com-

petitive rate despite flaws.

"I think we need to continue to hire at the market rate," Kenkel said. "But we need to look at equity plans. It's a priority, and it needs to be addressed."

Kenkel also said bonuses need to be considered.

"Most companies do have bonuses for their performance," Kenkel said. "If we're not looking at that problem, it could become a bigger problem."

Kenkel said one option the University has is to adjust summer pay.

Overall, Barnes said he hopes faculty understand the situation.

"(Faculty) should be assured that we're sensitive to (the salary issue), and we want to do something about it," Barnes said. "But there's no money, so we have to delay that, and we want to ensure that they have a job."

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ALARM from 1A

False alarms result in state, local consequences

to dismissal from the University.

Heather Smith, Hudson Hall complex director, said there were about six pulled fire alarms last trimester and about four this trimester.

Once a fire alarm goes off, resident assistants must knock on every door to make sure students get out of the building. Campus Safety then makes a complete check before the students are allowed back into the building.

Smith said that the alarms pulled are not only a criminal offense but also an annoyance to students.

"It is an inconvenience and frustrating to wake up at 3 o'clock every morning for days straight," Smith said. "All these kids have to go to class and are forced to concentrate after they have been up at least half an hour sometimes and outside in the freezing cold."

Students have also voiced their frustrations with the false alarms.

"I was getting kind of sick of them," said Brett Petersen Hudson Hall resident. "It was pretty funny once or twice, but then, it just got annoying after a while."

Tobin is not the only student to pull fire alarms on the Northwest campus. According to Clarence Green, director of Campus Safety, false fire alarms in the residence halls are not unusual and happen not only in Hudson.

"It happens in all of (the residence halls). I would say probably, in the course of a year, we have around ten pulled," Green said.

According to Smith, some students were ignoring the alarms and not going outside during the false alarms at Hudson. However, if a real fire was to break out, the students could be in danger if they did not go out.

This was the case at a school on the East Coast. A fire broke out in a residential hall at Seton Hall University in New Jersey two years ago.

Three freshman students were killed and about 54 were injured. Officials believe many students did not leave the building because they thought the alarms were false.

At Northwest, resident assistants have started going into rooms after an alarm is pulled to make sure all students are outside.

Campus Safety has also taken steps to bring down the number of false alarms.

According to Green, protective doors were put over the fire alarms. When the door is opened, it sounds an alarm before the fire alarm is pulled.

Green said since the doors were installed, they have seen a decrease in the number of alarms pulled.

Overall, Tobin said he is ready to move on from this incident.

"I'm hoping to get past all this and get on with my life," Tobin said. "I don't want to have this thing hang over my head."

American students express empathy for other people, cultures

By MARK EUSTON
CHIEF REPORTER

With situations escalating in North Korea and the Middle East and the possibility of war on the horizon, many students wonder if people from those areas have been victims of discrimination.

"I have never noticed anyone harassing a student because of their backgrounds, but it really wouldn't surprise me if it did happen," Zach McCoppin, a Northwest student said. "It is too bad that people feel they must treat another person different because of their race."

Michael Phillips, another Northwest student, feels compassion for foreign students.

"I think it would be tough to be a student in America from a for-

eign country, especially if you were from the Middle East or Korea and not really knowing what is going to happen there," Michael Phillips said.

Patrick Coughlin, whose siblings were born in South Korea and then adopted, said they have told him of times when they felt harassed.

"My brother has mentioned several times where he has felt uncomfortable in numerous situations, and it is really a shame because he is just as American as anybody else is," Coughlin said. "He just happened to be born somewhere else."

Patrick Kies, who also attends Northwest, agrees with Coughlin in that there are people out there that do have prejudice towards foreign people.

"There are definitely people out

there with some prejudice or hatred against people from the Middle East and Asian countries even if they don't act on it," He said.

Phillips said it is wrong to judge an entire nation of people on the actions of a few.

"The people that carry out suicide bombings and terrorist attacks are only a small portion of the population (in the Middle East)," Phillips said.

Coughlin said that even though the situations with North Korea and Iraq are thousands of miles away, many Americans are still judgmental toward people of those cultures.

"It is disappointing to know that, with all of the civil rights battles in this country, that people are still singled out because of how they look and the color of their skin," he said.

SPEECH from 1A

AIDS relief plan surprises Democrats, Republicans alike

us anything, it is that this nation cannot afford to wait for threats to gather before we act," Bond said. "Quite simply we know Saddam has weapons of mass destruction and he has trained terrorists to use them. He has stiffed the U.N. by refusing as demanded to disclose and destroy those weapons."

In the first part of his speech, Bush mentioned two items that seemed to catch both parties off guard.

"The most far-reaching and, probably in the long run, the most important part of the speech is probably the one thing no one is going to talk about very much, and that's the program to try and attack AIDS in Africa," Fulton said. "That's a program

that can save millions of lives, and nothing else Bush talked about would have that kind of impact on the number of people's lives this would touch."

Proposed was a \$15 billion commitment over the next five years, "including nearly \$10 billion in new money" to Congress to help African and Caribbean countries most affected by the AIDS virus. The plan would prevent 7 million new cases and treat at least 2 million cases, Bush said.

Another part of the speech that caught Jelavich off-guard was Bush's proposals for conservation.

"He had some environmental proposals in his speech that seemed pretty interesting and pretty productive that I wasn't

expecting in the speech either," Jelavich said.

Bush proposed a 70 percent cut in pollution from power plants over the next 15 years, a \$1.2 billion proposal to look into hydrogen powered cars and a "healthy forest initiative" which would prevent forest fires.

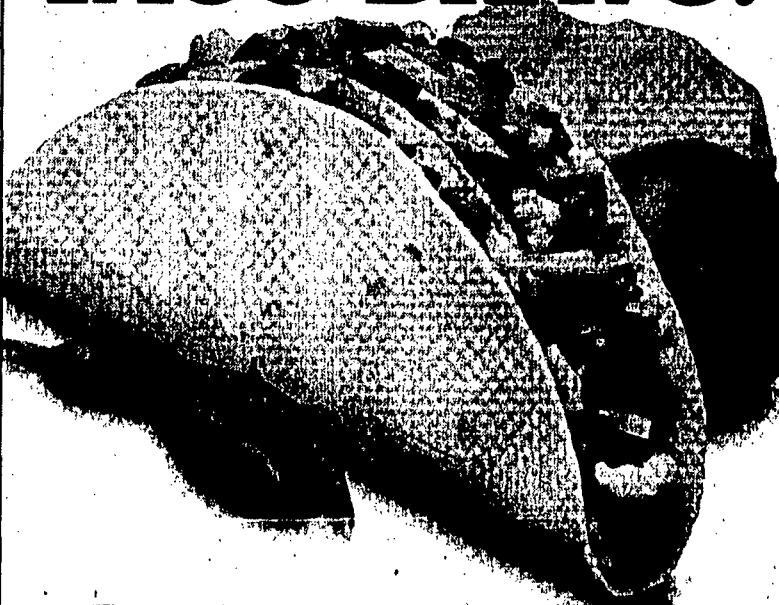
In the end, Bush called on the American people to have faith in God to lead the way.

"We Americans have faith in ourselves but not in ourselves alone," Bush said. "We do not claim to know all the ways of Providence, yet we can trust in them, placing our confidence in the loving God behind all of life and all of history. May He guide us now and may God continue to bless the United States of America."

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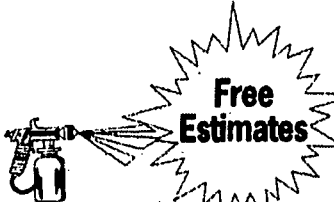
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Every room needs a little TLC

RHA gives students the opportunity to "de-dorm" their homes

By MONICA CALDWELL
FEATURES EDITOR

The phenomenon of room redesign is a hot commodity, and Northwest's Residence Hall Association decided to take advantage and offer it to students in the residence halls.

The idea stemmed from conferences the RHA executive board attends each year and was intended to give residents something new in which to participate.

Modeled after The Learning Channel's popular home make-over show "Trading Spaces," in which two pairs of neighbors switch houses to update a room for each other, "de-dorm" has taken off.

"People think 'Oh, it's like the show. That would be cool,'" said Jodie Hitz, secretary and treasurer for RHA.

Although the terms are slightly smaller here at Northwest, with \$75 in the budget instead of \$1,000 and eight hours instead of 24 to complete the room, participants agreed that it was a

neat experience.

"It was a chance to show our creative side," said Millikan resident assistant Rebecca Griffin, sophomore computer science major. "You get

a new room and a whole bunch of new stuff that you can even take with you home."

Even though she was not the recipient of the room change, Griffin enjoyed contributing to the effort.

However, the response to neither event has been overwhelming with just

six applications for last semester's Nov. 23 date and only one for the most recent Jan. 25 occasion.

Hitz says they hope eventually to get more people involved but recognize it is a very specific project benefiting individuals instead of groups.

The process and guidelines for entering are fairly simple. Two teams of two must submit an application including a design plan for the room they plan to redecorate. Decisions are based on how prepared the teams are with budget limitations and overall layout. All residence halls are eligible for entry.

The first time around, each team had 12 hours to complete their

plans, but that ended up being too much time.

"Twelve hours was just too long to work in those little rooms with so many people," said Hitz.

Working along with the team members were volunteer carpenters like Sam Jennings, RHA area coordinator and Paul Klute, RHA president.

Roommates Katy McLain and Keri Williams participated last semester with their next-door neighbor Christy Crownover and her teammate Kendra Finney.

"We thought it would be fun, and we watch Trading Spaces all the time," said McLain, senior industrial psychology major. "And we had our room exactly the way it was last year, so we figured it would probably be fun to have something different."

They were challenged with keeping the design plans a secret by working next door to each other. They kept in touch with cell phones in order to ensure complete surprise.

"We had the sewing machine set up in the lounge and so we had to take turns on that," said McLain. "That made it a little bit difficult, but it was a cool experience."

Everyone involved thought RHA was smart in planning this for residents.

"I think it was a good choice and good timing as far as RHA was concerned," said Williams. "We had a blast."

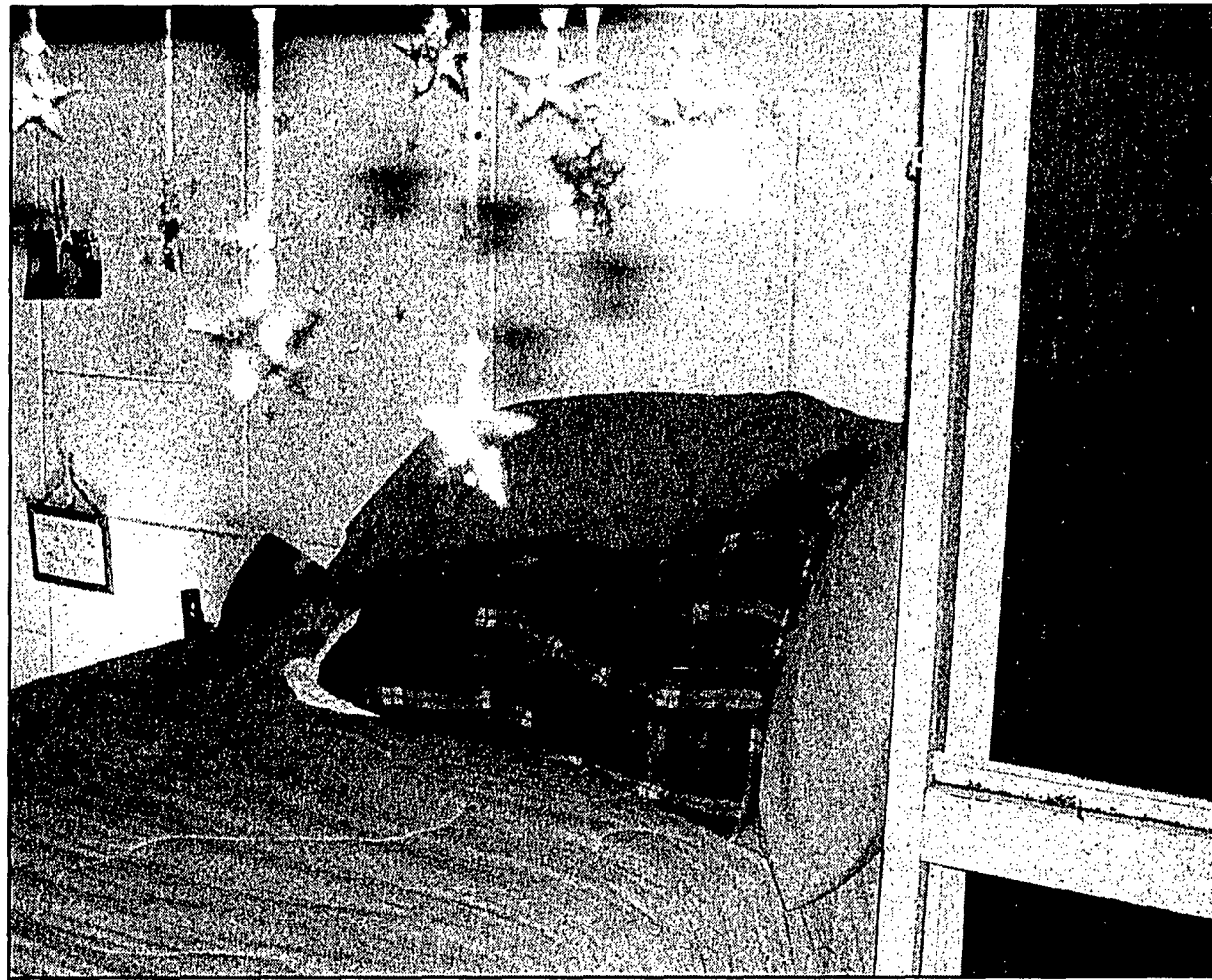


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Blue and silver stars dangle from the ceiling light in Katy McLain and Keri Williams' new room in Franken Hall. Each team was given \$75 for materials, and some came close to going over their budget. Other improvements included bunk beds and curtains.



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LOOKING FOR PAYBACK

It's now Pitt State's turn to play at Bearcat Arena

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Jan. 4 is a date the men's basketball team remembers very well.

On that day, the Bearcats were handed an 81-67 loss by Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kan. The win helped the Gorillas grab a spot in the Division II Top 25.

The same could not be said for the Bearcats. The 14-point loss was the start of a three-game losing streak for the Bearcats, which dropped them out of the Top 25 for the first time in 71 games.

Come Saturday, the Bearcats will look to avoid a season-series sweep. Maybe more importantly, they will look for a little revenge because the Gorillas are coming to town.

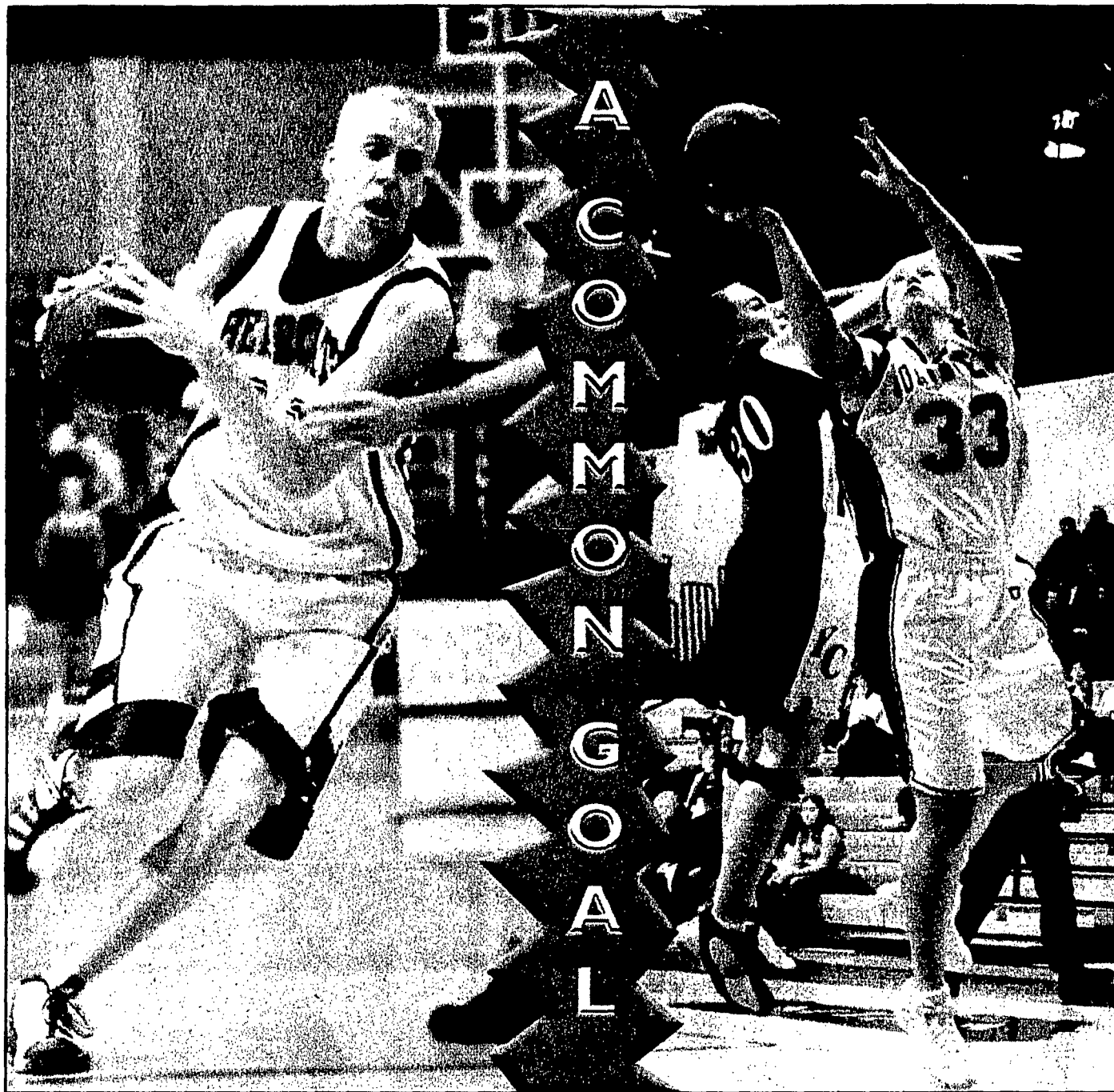
After Tuesday's practice, senior forward Joel Yeldell and the Bearcats had their focus turned to Emporia State University, but he knew Pitt State was looming.

"We've been waiting for this for a long time," Yeldell said. "It got here a lot quicker than we thought."

It was a tough game for Yeldell and other members on the team. Yeldell finished the game with four points, his second-lowest point total of the season.

The Bearcats held onto a 34-31 halftime advantage, but fell behind one minute into the second half. The 'Cats never got

(Please see 'Payback' page 2B)



Northwest's Scott Fleming (left) and Katie Scherer will look to help their teams defeat the Gorillas for the first time this season on Saturday. Fleming

scored 12 points, including a 6 of 8 performance from the free throw line in the loss to Pitt State on Jan. 4. Scherer had five points and four boards in the women's loss.

Defeat by Gorillas was largest of season for women

By COLE YOUNG
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

For the women's basketball team, one loss sticks out as a particularly bad one.

After falling to Missouri Western State College in the conference opener, the Northwest women were looking to get back to their winning ways on a trip to Pittsburg State University.

After shooting 25 percent in the first half including a 0-5 effort from beyond the arc, Northwest trailed the Gorillas 35-18.

The rest of the game did not get any better for the Bearcats as they fell 65-44 in their first meeting on January 4th.

The Bearcats finished the game shooting 28.6 percent from the field that night.

However, with a new month comes a new Bearcat squad. "We didn't play well at all the first time," guard Erica Hatterman said. "Really, in the first game, we should have won. We just didn't shoot well, and we know we can play better."

Since the loss to Pitt, the Bearcats have indeed played better, winning five out of their last six games.

"We have had just three bad halves shooting the ball in the last stretch of games," head coach Gene Steinmeyer said, referring to the first half of the Truman State game and both halves against Pitt.

Even in the earlier loss, Steinmeyer was able to find some bright spots.

"We were able to hold them

Pitt State Gorillas
12-6, 5-4 in MIAA

VS.
Northwest 'Cats
10-7, 5-4 in MIAA

Time: 5:30 p.m.
Where: Bearcat Arena
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KRNV (89.9 FM), KNIM
(97.1 FM/1580 AM), KAAV
(95.5 FM)

to 65 points," he said. "That is really pretty commendable. A lot of their points came off of frustration fouls on our part."

With round two taking place Saturday in Maryville, the cards seem to be more in the 'Cat's favor.

"I think we're a lot more confident now than we were earlier in the year," junior Tanesha Fields said. "It's a lot better to play at home, though, than down there. It is a really long trip, and we always have to stop and spend the night."

For the Bearcats to win rebounding has to improve in addition to offensive execution.

"Going into the second half against Rolla, we had allowed 11 offensive rebounds," Steinmeyer said. "We were able to improve that and finish the game with a rebounding advantage."

The last time the teams met, the Gorilla's were led by Stephanie Scanline and Melissa Watkins. Scanline finished the game with 20 points and Watkins recorded a double-double with 13 points and 13 rebounds.

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PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER
Senior Sarah Vollertsen shoots over a crowd of Missouri-Rolla defenders in the Bearcat's 51-37 win at Bearcat Arena Saturday. Vollertsen finished with 10 points.

Lady 'Cats fall at ESU

Hornets snap women's three-game win streak

By COLE YOUNG
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest women fell to No. 24 Emporia State 85-69 at Emporia last night. With the loss, the Bearcats fall to 10-7 overall and 5-4 in the MIAA.

Going into the game, head

coach Gene Steinmeyer knew their trip to Emporia would possibly prove to be their most difficult.

"I think you could compare them to Washburn in their talent level," Steinmeyer said. "The only difference between the two is Emporia State beat Washburn by 10."

Emporia State, who came into the game loaded with talent, boasted four Division I transfers. (Please see 'Cats fall' page 2B)

Hot shooter halts 'Cats

Hornets go wild on 'Cats, Ballard scores 49 points

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Emporia State University's Robbie Ballard might be proof that one player can take control of a game by himself.

Ballard scored 49 of the Hornets' 109 points in the team's 109-89 victory over Northwest Wednesday night at White Auditorium.

The Bearcats tried to throw everything at Ballard but found no success as the senior set a new MIAA record for three-pointers in a game with 13.

The loss also snapped the Bearcats four-game winning streak and dropped the Bearcats to 5-4 in the conference.

Freshman Austin Meyer led the team in points, scoring all 23 of his points in the second half. Senior Scott Fleming added 16 points, and sophomore Jesse Shaw dropped in 12 of his own. Ballard was not the only one

on a shooting spree for the Hornets. The Hornets shot 66 percent from the field compared to 48 percent for Northwest.

Emporia State jumped out to a quick 10-0 lead before Shaw scored the Bearcat's first points of the game.

A Fleming three-pointer pulled the Bearcats within seven points at 12-5, but the Hornets would run away from there. Back-to-back three-pointers by the Hornets increased the lead to 13 points, and they never looked back after that.

At one point in the first half, Emporia held a 38-12 lead before taking a 49-26 lead into halftime.

The Bearcats were never able to make it a contest in the second half, getting down by as many as 31 points before chipping away at the lead toward the end of the game.

Saturday, the Bearcats defeated the University of Missouri-Rolla, 70-58 at Bearcat Arena.

Fleming led the team in scoring with 16 points, followed by 12 points by junior Kelvin Parker. Meyer and senior Jelani Walker each added 10 points apiece.

Parker also dished out eight

In depth: vs. Emporia St.

89	Score	109
42.3	Field goal pct.	62.1
21	3-point pct.	62.1
21	Total rebounds	14
11	FT attempted	10
11	FT made	10
	Turnovers	10
	Bench scoring	

assists.

Known for being towards the bottom of the conference standings for many years, the Miners have improved this season and gave the Bearcats problems at times during Saturday's game.

"They got a good game plan and are very well coached," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "I think it's a big win. As a coaching staff, we didn't have any trouble respecting them and I think our team did."

Both teams had to deal with questionable calls that hurt the flow of the game, Tappmeyer said.

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PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER
Junior guard Kelvin Parker penetrates past a Missouri-Rolla defender Saturday evening at Bearcat Arena. Parker finished with 12 points and eight assists in the victory. It was the 'Cats' eighth straight victory over the Miners.



PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/EDITOR IN CHIEF
Junior Jamison Phillips (left), senior Kyle Keraus (center) and junior Matt Nippert take part in practice Tuesday at Bearcat Arena.

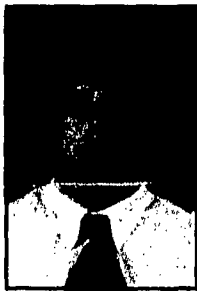
Senior pole vaulter overcomes illness to place fifth at Iowa State

Miller said there is still room for improvement

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Before Saturday's meet at the Iowa State University Open, senior pole vaulter Ryan Miller was uncertain he'd take part in the meet.

Miller had come down with the flu and head coach Rich Alsop had his doubts that his All-American would attempt to make a run at provisionally qualifying for nationals in



MILLER

Ames, Iowa.

But Miller made the trip to Ames and came out of it with a tie for fifth place in the pole vault.

"I ended coming out of (the flu) pretty good but I still wasn't 100 percent going into the meet," Miller said.

Alsop said he was satisfied with Miller's mark in the event. "I'm sure Ryan was disappointed with his performance," Alsop said. "He's the kind of

guy that put a pole in his hand after a three-month layoff. But he was sick and I was fine with his performance."

Miller finished with a height of 14 feet, 7.25 inches, but expects that number to rise.

"I was kind of disappointed," he said. "Even though it was the first meet I just didn't jump very high. 14-7, I did that my sophomore year in high school. I just know there is a lot of room for improvement."

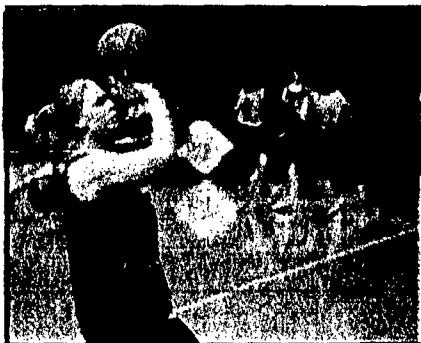
That should be understandable, considering Miller holds the school pole record of 16 feet, 4.5 inches, which he set in 2001.

Miller and the men's team head to Lawrence, Kan., to take part in the Jayhawk Invitational, another meet that features many Division I competitors.

"Just going against these Division I athletes is a bonus in itself," Miller said. "It's all about competing" (Please see 'Track' page 2B)

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Girl's basketball

A slow start did not stop the 'Hounds girls' basketball team from pulling off a win over Benton. To find out how the team captured their tenth win, turn to page 2B.

Boys basketball

These hoopsters are finding ways to win ball games. Turn to page 2B for coverage of the last two contests for the boys' basketball team and who has the hot hand right now.



'Hounds wrestling

Maryville is running into tough times right now. Turn to 3B to find out what teams are giving the grapplers trouble and who the 'Hounds have next on their list.

Girls win in overtime, end two game skid

By BRIAN JOHNSON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A wise man once said that life is like a rollercoaster, full of ups and downs. This past week, the Maryville girls' basketball team knew exactly what that wise man meant.

Coming off two straight losses at the Bishop Miege Tournament, the 'Hounds returned home Monday night to defeat the Benton Cardinals 56-47 in overtime.

"Benton was a good test," head coach Randall Cook said. "It shows that last week we improved. The scoreboard might not of said it, but we improved from last week."

In the beginning of the first period, it looked like Benton might be running away with the game, going on a 10-0 run.

Maryville did not score its first points of the game until 3:21 remained in the period. After that though, Maryville went on an 8-0 run.

"I wasn't worried," Cook said. "I thought we would come back. I was just not going to call a time-out. I wanted to see how the girls would respond, and they did a pretty good job."

In the second half, the Maryville defense took over the game, eliminating Benton's three-point shooting.

"We were working the two-three (zone defense) and thought that was working pretty good," Cook said. "We cut that off with a zone, and that slowed them down a bit, and people who normally don't shoot for them had to shoot."

Leading Scorers vs. Benton

Caileen Bradley - 26
Kelli Dawson - 6
Abby Walter - 6

Key stat of the game

The win was highlighted by the team's free throw shooting, including Bradley's 16 of 19 performance from the charity stripe.

Scoring by quarter

Benton 13 8 11 12 3 -47
Maryville 12 11 10 11 12 -56

The biggest drama in the game was left for the final seconds. With 2.9 seconds left in regulation, Benton had a chance to win the game when Hannah Barnett came to the line to shoot two foul shots.

When Barnett missed both foul shots, Maryville quickly ran down the court but didn't convert the possible game-winning shot.

But missing the game-winning shot would not matter as the 'Hounds quickly took control of the game, never trailing in the extra session.

"I told them that we're not going to win this game by one or two, but by eight or ten," Cook said. "Sometimes they make what I say come to life, and they did that tonight."

The 'Hounds face their next opponent at 8 p.m. Friday against Savannah in Maryville.

"They're a great team," Cook said. "They just win. A win for us would be great for Maryville girls basketball."

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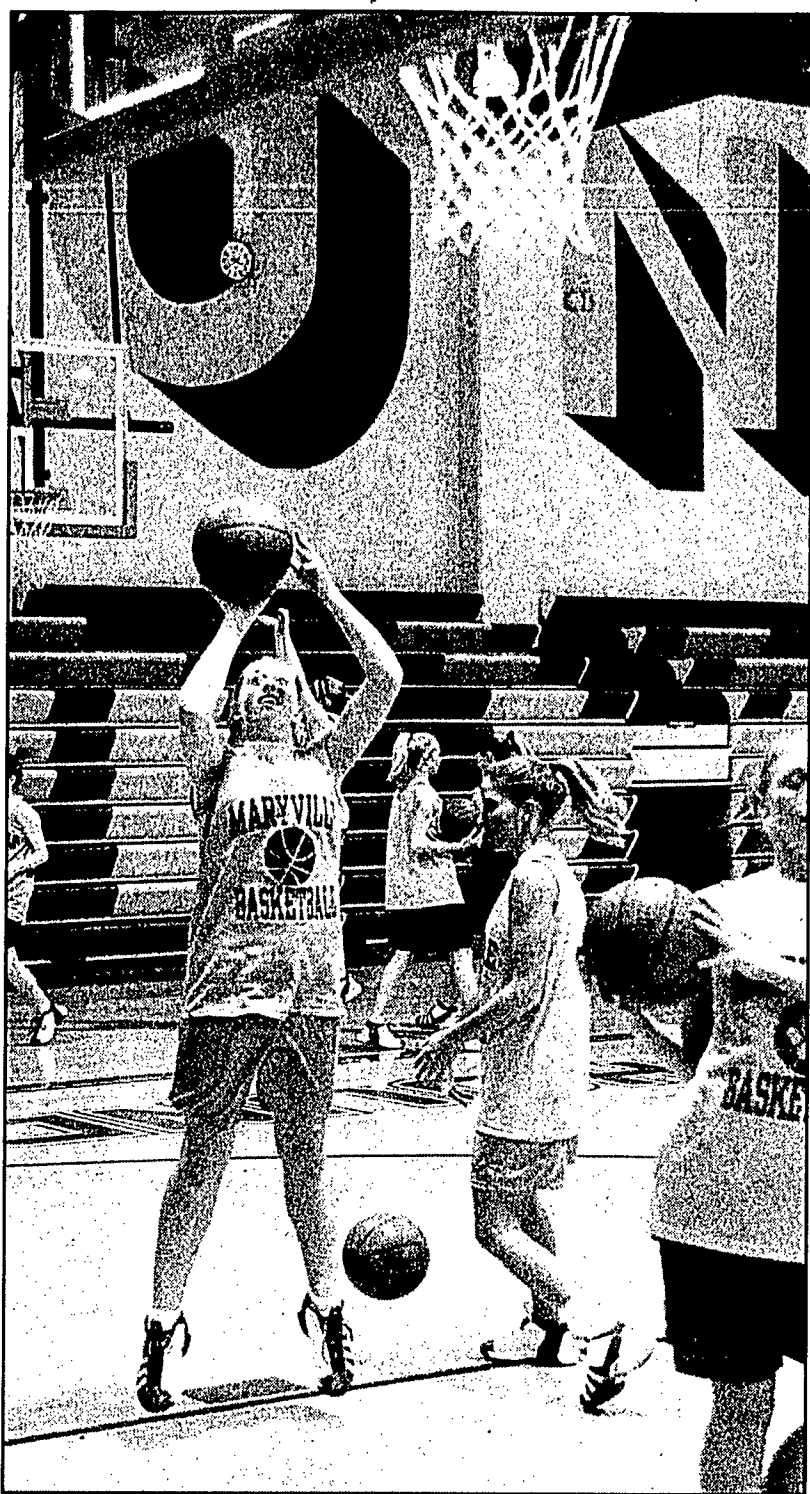


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Hillary Reynolds and Abby Walter warm up during practice Tuesday afternoon. The 'Hounds are back in action Friday at home against Savannah for a Midland Empire Conference tilt.

PAYBACK from 1B

Focus now turns to Pittsburg State

comfortable shooting the ball from behind the arc, attempting 21 three-pointers and only making two of them.

The Gorillas shot 41.2 percent from behind the arc compared to 9.5 percent for the 'Cats, but it was a one-two punch from Pitt State that was a thorn in the side of the Bearcats.

Pitt State forward Jamey Richardson and guard Cedric Brooks finished the game with 29 points each. Center Brandon Twito added 15 points of his own.

"Their guard, Brooks, is an excellent player and they got a couple front-line players that are really talented," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "They've got a good power game. We had trouble stopping them around the block so they got a lot of shots around the basket. That gave us trouble."

The Gorillas were not the only ones giving the Bearcats fits. It was the Bearcats themselves as well.

"It wasn't anything they did to cause us problems," Yeldell said. "It's what we didn't do."

However, Pitt State has seemed to be running low on momentum lately. The Gorillas have dropped three of their last

five games, including a buzzer-beating loss at home to Washburn University last Saturday.

Pitt State has also dropped out of the recent regional rankings as well.

The same cannot be said about the Bearcats. They have won four-of-five since their three-game slide earlier in conference play and are moving up in the regional rankings.

But that should not take any of the fire out of Saturday's matchup at Bearcat Arena.

"They're going to be tough," Tappmeyer said. "Pittsburg (State) is just one of those teams. Whether you play them at their place or yours, it's going to be a battle because they are going to come in and play physical."

Next week, Truman State University and Missouri Southern State College will make their way to Maryville. Both teams defeated the Bearcats earlier.

But for now the focus is Pitt State. "Once midnight strikes on Wednesday, we're going to have 100 percent focus on Pittsburg," Yeldell said.

TRACK from 1B

Teams place in several events at ISU

and if you can jump with the big dogs, then you'll be all right."

As for nationals, Miller is confident he can get there.

"I know I'll be there," he said. "It will take a couple of weeks to get the bugs out."

Freshman Cliff McIntosh was not too far behind Miller, finishing with a height of 14 feet, 1.25 inches in the pole vault.

Junior Gabriel Helms highlighted the meet for Northwest, bringing back two third-place finishes in the 60-meter dash (6.86 seconds) and the 200-meter dash (21.84 seconds). He was the top Division II sprinter in those two events.

On the women's side, senior Jenny Simmons took first place honors in the pole vault with a height of 11 feet, 3.75 inches. Not only did the height tie a meet record, but it also provisionally qualified the senior for nationals.

Top finishers at ISU Open

Women:
60m dash — Alisha Samuel, 7th, 7.84
800m dash — Tiffany Zarleng, 8th, 2:21.02
1000m dash — Dia McKee, 8th, 3:13.47
3000m dash — Betsy Lee, 13th, 11:19
High Jump — Dena McMullen, 4th, 5-4.25
Pole Vault — Jenny Simmons, 1st, 11-3.75
Long Jump — Jill Fisher, 8th, 18-1
Weight Throw — Sara Wolff, 6th, 44-1.25
Shot Put — Wolff, 6th, 40-9.75

Men:
60m dash — Mark Stewart, 12th, 8.63
60m dash — Gabriel Helms, 3rd, 6.86
One mile — Chad Fowler, 9th, 4:23.66
200m dash — Helms, 3rd, 21.84
800m run — John Heil, 10th, 1:54.34
High Jump — Pat Jordan, 13th, 6-5
Pole Vault — Ryan Miller, 5th, 14-7.25
Long Jump — Travis Mason, 6th, 22-11.25
Weight Throw — Daniel McKim, 5th, 55-3
Shot Put — McKim, 5th, 52-6.75

'Hounds notch two conference victories

By RYAN DELEHANT
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A big second quarter helped the Maryville boys' basketball team come away with a 55-43 victory Tuesday night against Savannah.

The 'Hounds outscored the Savages 20-8 in the second quarter.

Senior Dylan Hurst led all scorers with 21 points followed by David Akins with 16.

In front of a full crowd Friday evening, the 'Hounds defeated their conference rivals Chillicothe High School, 68-61 at home.

The 'Hounds took an early 15-12 first quarter lead thanks to Hurst's 11 points in the first six minutes of the game.

"My teammates got me open with some good screens, and I was able to hit

my shots," Hurst said.

The second quarter saw the Hornets take the lead by outscoring the 'Hounds 22-14. Chillicothe senior guard Ben Price came off the bench to hit a pair of three pointers and help the Hornets go into half time leading 34-29.

In the second half the 'Hounds used a balanced scoring attack to make their second straight comeback and win 68-61.

"We are still coming together as a team," head coach Mike Kuwizky said. "Hopefully, we won't have to be making these comebacks forever, but, right now, we are thankful that we have."

Hurst led the balanced scoring attack, finishing the game with 18 points, followed by sophomores Myles Burnside and Sydney Brisbane with 14 and 13 respectively.

Senior David Akins chipped in 13

Scoring by quarter

Maryville 11 20 6 18 -55
Savannah 11 8 8 16 -43

points. Brisbane also collected five steals in the game.

Junior Taylor McClellan came off the bench to lead the 'Hounds in rebounding with six to go along with his six points.

Scott Lowe was the leading scorer for the Hornets with 18 points while grabbing seven rebounds. Price followed Lowe with 14 and guard Ryan Smith with 11, who also handed out five assists in the loss.

The team is now 11-5 and will play at Auburn, Neb., tonight, at Benton Friday and at Platte County Monday.

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CATS FALL from 1B

Cold shooting plagues Lady Bearcats in loss to Emporia

It wasn't the Hornets talent that won the game last night. However, the 'Cats were plagued once again by cold shooting as they shot only 35 percent from the field. The Hornets were able to connect on 47 percent of their attempts.

At the half, Northwest trailed 40-26. In the first half, Northwest shot 31 percent from the field.

In the second half, Northwest was able to get within 11, but it was too little too late.

One bright spot in the game was junior Sarah Vollertsen's career-high 24 points. Tanesha Fields and Laura Friederich were both in double figures as well with 14 and 11 respectively.

"Sarah is a definite force," Steinmeyer said. "Had she not had the injury to her foot earlier in the year, she would be doing even better than she is now."

5-foot-5-inch Jane Chalmers grabbed eight boards to go along with her nine points.

Saturday, the Bearcats were able to get a 51-37 win against the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners. The game started off at a sluggish pace and led 26-15 at the break.

Leading the way for Northwest was Vollertsen with 10 points. Friederich chipped in eight in the win.

Northwest held the slight edge on the boards in the game, as they out rebounded the Miners 42-41. Tanesha Fields controlled the boards with seven rebounds.

"A lot of people said that it was an ugly win," Steinmeyer said. "As a coach though, when you end the game with a win, it's pretty."

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In depth: vs. Emporia St.

	Score	85
69	Field goal pct.	47.1
34.7	3-point pct.	50
21.7	Off. rebounds	13
14	Def. rebounds	35
24	Total rebounds	48
38	FT attempted	22
20	FT made	15
14	Turnovers	16
17	Bench scoring	34

Key stat of the game: Emporia State was able to convert on 4-8 three-point attempts, while Northwest shot only 5-23 beyond the arc.

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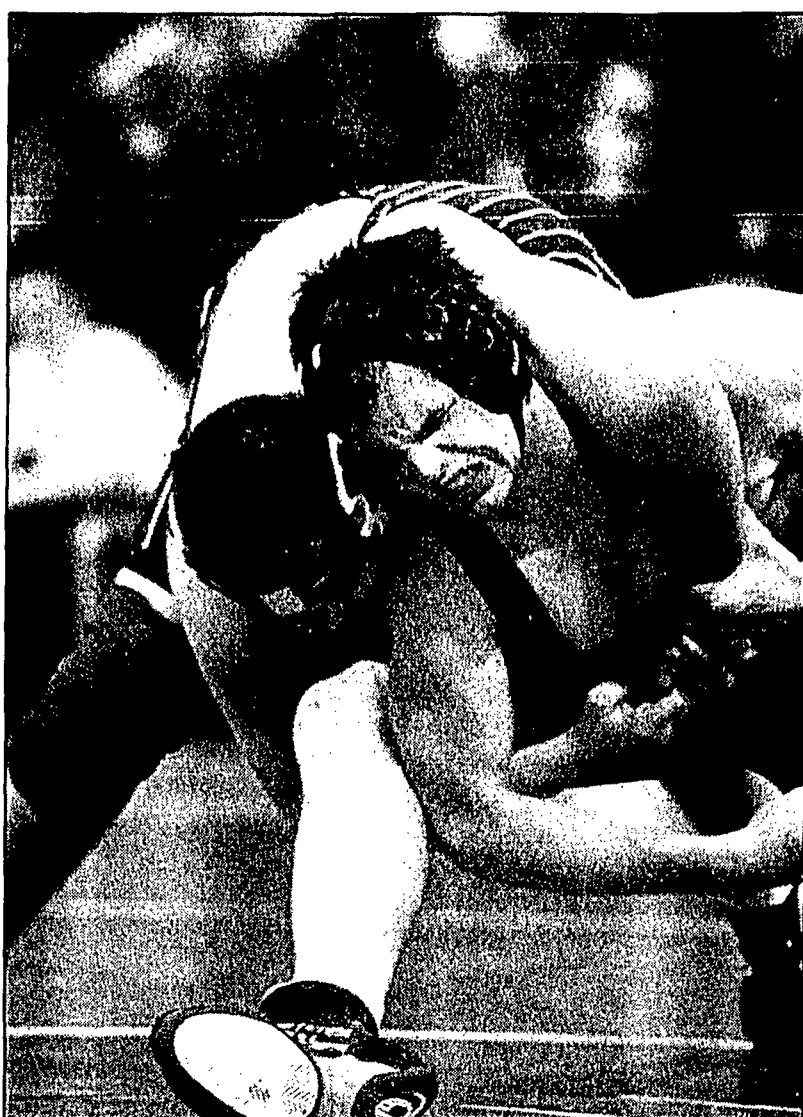


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Savannah's Phillip Geeding clenches his teeth and attempts to avoid a takedown by Maryville's Dexter Partridge. Partridge went on to pin Geeding, but Savannah claimed a 43-33 victory.

'Hound grapplers have tough week

By COLE YOUNG
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Maryville wrestling team dropped two Midland Empire Conference matches in the past week.

After falling 58-16 to perennial state champ Platte County, the 'Hounds fell to Savannah 43-33. The 'Hounds record now stands at 2-4.

There were several bright spots for the 'Hounds in Tuesday's match against the Savages.

After an open in the 103-pound class, Jason Tuggle was pinned by Savannah's Tyler Donaldson in the 112-pound division.

The 'Hounds were able to pick up a win from Cody Gillenwater as well as a first-period pin from Derek Merrill.

The middle-weight classes proved to be too much for the 'Hounds as the Savages won three of four matches. Skyler VanDiver was able to pick up a first-period pin.

As the teams headed for the 160-

pound weight class, Maryville trailed 34-15.

The 'Hounds tried to make a comeback and pulled within 10 points with two weight classes left.

In the 215-pound class, Savannah was able to seal the win as Brandon Osborn pinned Ryan Schleusner in the second period.

"We have to get some confidence and enthusiasm," head coach Joe Drake said. "If we want to win matches, those two things are going to have to pickup."

On Thursday, the 'Hounds were able to pick up four individual wins against the Platte County Pirates. Merrill, Vandiver, Joe Drake and Colby Chesnut were all able to earn wins.

Platte County has won state each of the past three years.

Up next for the 'Hounds is a home match at 7 p.m. Thursday against the Smithville Warriors. The Maryville varsity tournament will be held Saturday.

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HAIL TO THE VICTOR

Editor reflects on Super Bowl



By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

So another Super Bowl has come and gone and we die-hard football fans have to go into hibernation until August.

I guess the Pro Bowl has yet to be played, but let's face it. No one cares about that game. It does not help that Pro Bowlers are dropping out of the game faster than the Oakland Raiders were getting called for penalties.

But back to the Super Bowl. The game had its ups and downs and I thought I'd reflect on what the Super Bowl provided us.

■ **GOOD:** The Buccaneers winning. Being a Denver Broncos fan, I have to admit that seeing the Raiders lose was satisfying.

■ **BAD:** The score. The Buc's 48-21 thumping was, in a way, fun to watch, but I tuned in to see a close game. Before Sunday, this game had the elements to

be a great and close game.

No one wanted to see the San Francisco 49ers walk all over the Broncos in Super Bowl XXIV, the Baltimore Ravens throttle the New York Giants in Super Bowl XXXV or what occurred Sunday.

■ **GOOD:** The Bucs proved that defense wins championships. Offense may get a team to the Super Bowl, but they are not going to be hoisting the Lombardi Trophy if the defense is not as good.

The great thing was that unexpected players stepped up for the new champions. Who would have thought Dexter Jackson would be the game's most valuable player?

■ **BAD:** The team entrances. What ever happened to the starters being announced one at a time while running out of the tunnel? Now they all come out as a team, which is good, but what was that entrance music? Sounded like it came from a Disney movie soundtrack.

■ **GOOD:** Shania Twain's outfit. Enough said.

■ **BAD:** Celine Dion singing "God Bless America." She's got a great voice, but what is a Canadian woman doing singing that song?

When they announced her name, I thought she was going to sing "O, Canada."

No disrespect to our neighbor to the north. They've got good air and great fishing, but shouldn't one of our own be singing

"God Bless America?" They should have had Shania Twain sing it — oh wait — she's Canadian too.

■ **GOOD:** The commercials. Once again, the commercials received more small talk than the game itself. Props to Anheuser-Busch for providing some good laughs. The Willie Nelson/H & R Block commercial was not as good as the hype it received, but, overall, the commercials were good.

■ **BAD:** ABC thought it would be a great idea to put microphones on a couple of players so we fans could hear what the players were saying during the game. Their choices: The Buc's John Lynch and the Raider's Jerry Rice, two of the nicest guys in the league.

The microphones were a great idea, but why those two? This game has Warren Sapp, Keyshawn Johnson and Bill Romanowski involved in it, and ABC mikes Lynch and Rice. ABC took themselves out of a great opportunity to provide millions of fans with some good smack from those who know how to do it.

There they are. The high and low points of this year's Super Bowl. It provided us with some laughs and the game itself had its moments. But in the end, the game ended up like most Super Bowls — another game not living up to its hype.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Helms earns track honor

Gabriel Helms was named the MIAA Indoor Track and Field track athlete of the week after his performance in Ames, Iowa,

last weekend.

Helms, a 5-foot-9 junior from St. Louis provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division II championships in the 60 meters at the Iowa State Open last weekend.

He placed third in the 60-meter dash

with a school record time of 6.86 seconds. Helms also placed third in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.84 seconds. He was the top Division II finisher in each event.

Helms is also a standout on the football team.

FAN PLAN

Home games

	TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest men's basketball			Pittsburg State 7:30 p.m.				Truman State 7:30 p.m.
Northwest women's basketball			Pittsburg State 5:30 p.m.				Truman State 5:30 p.m.
Northwest indoor track & field			Kan. Invitational Buena Vista 9 a.m.				
Maryville boys' basketball	Auburn, Neb. 7 p.m.	Benton 8 p.m.					
Maryville girls' basketball		Savannah 8 p.m.			Platte County 8 p.m.		
Maryville wrestling	Smithville 7 p.m.		Maryville Varsity Tournament				

ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACKS

What was your favorite Super Bowl commercial?



"The H & R Block commercial with Willie Nelson. It started out leading you down a different path than what you expected. It's funny to see what people will do in those situations."

ADAM CLARK
MUSIC EDUCATION



"I thought the Budweiser weight lifting commercial was the best. I loved the old man!"

VINCE KOTHARI
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT



"I really enjoyed the Osbourne commercial. They brought together two completely different popular icons. It really catered to the college core."

STEPHANIE LANDERS
FACS EDUCATION



"Definitely the Zebra commercial by Budweiser. The fact that they had already reviewed plays before the commercial ran made it even more funny."

CINDY POINDEXTER
PUBLIC RELATIONS



"The Sierra Mist commercial with the dog and the fire hydrant. The tag line 'Shockingly Refreshing' really captured the commercial."

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Wednesday:
5:35 am Total Body
8:00 am Kickboxing Interval
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5:30 pm Combo Challenge

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Stroller warns of procrastination

It's another fun-filled week, and as I stare at the blank computer screen contemplating which nugget of infinite wisdom will bring you closer to total enlightenment, only one thought continues to repeatedly bounce about my thick skull like a Bearcat Stepper on crack: Holy crap, am I tired.

Yes, 'tis true, like many of you, I'm sure, Your Poor Man hasn't slept for a mere three days. However, wipe away your tears of pity, Faithful Reader. Judging by the sight of my fellow classmates, neither have they.

There is an infinite number of possibilities for this contagious state of drowsiness running rampant through this institution like the flu through the Maryville public school system, I'm sure.

Among them include the beyond intriguing subject matter of this week's Using Computers lesson. (Everyone has a destiny, you know. It is to learn Power Point.) It may instead be the mornings' aftermath of welcoming back all-you-can-drink specials as if they were the Second Coming of Christ himself. (What would Jesus do? Held be at Molly's too.) Or perhaps, like myself, my classmates are also tragic victims of the all-nighter in the name of what some genius I'd love to punch in the face once deemed "a higher form of higher learning."

Higher, indeed. Off Yellow Jackets, Red Bull and Lord knows what other legal forms of speed I've pumped into my already toxic bloodstream to remain conscious this



The Stroller

evening—er—ungodly early morning in order to complete my scholarly duties.

It seems, though, that I have little right to complain, because with the exception of my demonic professors, highly addictive episodes of "Tilddaters" and tempting Nodaway County nightlife, no one is to blame but my lazy self.

Yes, my friends, I speak of the fine art of procrastination, and it seems here at Northwest, that if it were to be offered as a course, I, for one, would not be on academic probation once again next trimester.

Needless to say, it seems that procrastination is a common occurrence among students of all years and majors for an infinite number of reasons or perhaps just one: that doing stuff really, really sucks.

However, nothing seems to compare to the suckiness of researching, writing and editing a term paper, studying for a compre-

hensive final, or—ahem—creating a Power Point presentation approximately three hours before it is due except, of course, for receiving the grade on said project.

Despite this, we continue to put off our studies until the last minute, ignoring numerous lectures and even the occasional seminar warning us of the evils of procrastination as if it were the only method we have ever known. This may be because we perform best under pressure. Take for instance, Your Man hasn't a snowball's chance in hell of retaining any information whatsoever unless it is reviewed immediately before an exam, most likely because my mind is crowded with much more important things, like remembering to eat and go to the bathroom and stuff.

Despite the dire and sometimes miraculous results of procrastination here on campus, sure enough, it will remain as common as post-Union indigestion. And that's okay, because in the end, we always get it done.

But take heed, fellow students. A wise man once compared procrastination to a habit I'll for once exercise good taste in declining to mention. (I'll give you a hint: it has its own intramural team in Hudson Hall.) They both feel good at first, but in the end you're only screwing yourself.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

Girls & Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



Comic genius emerges in "Jimmy Kimmel Live"

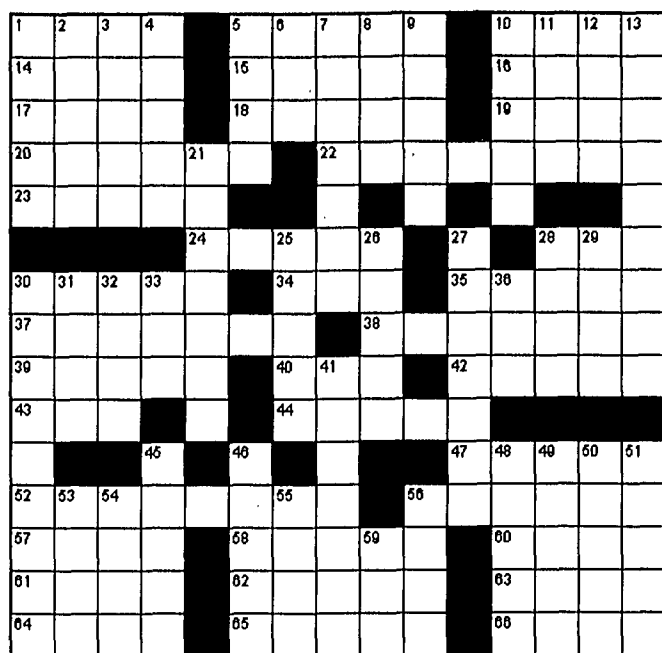
By STEPHANIE RICHARDSON
ONLINE ASSISTANT

If you've seen Jimmy Kimmel in action before and actually enjoyed him, then you'll love this show. You may know him from "Win Ben Stein's Money" or "The Man Show" on Comedy Central, but no matter which show you've seen, you know Jimmy Kimmel.

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" is the first live nightly talk show in over 40 years. Yes, that's right. Jimmy's gonna make the history books. You may be thinking, what about Leno or Letterman? Yeah, these shows are live, but they're taped during the day, not so much at night like they want you to think. And "live" means no holds barred, bloopers galore and, best of all, Jimmy Kimmel, the way he's meant to be seen. If you love this man's comic genius,

then you have to watch "Jimmy Kimmel Live." It just premiered Sunday night after the Super Bowl and while the premise of the show is "talk," just like all the other late-night staples, it almost feels more like a sketch comedy hour thanks to Jimmy's comic style. And best of all, Snoop Dogg is co-hosting all week, and that means "live" will be even more interesting. Jimmy Kimmel Live appears at 11:30 p.m. weeknights on ABC.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD



Across

- Hogs
- Bother (3,2)
- Plagiarize
- Economy
- Parasite
- Price spread (2-2)
- Female name
- Vacuous
- It will
- Perversion
- Forest anew
- Deport
- Weaver birds
- Resistance unit
- Agitate

- Complaint
- Passion
- Exoduses
- Lamp
- Woody climbing plants, usually tropical
- Holler
- German city
- Stray
- Deals
- Publish
- City in Iowa (4,4)
- Fortifying
- Malevolent
- Russian villa
- Raise
- Load up
- Restore an outlaw (2-3)

- Illness
- Sleigh
- Places at an angle
- Irritant
- Intrinsically (3,2)
- Mountaineer's implement (3,2)
- South Indian language
- Sluggard
- Light
- Evening (literary)
- Dolorous
- Skin condi-

- Larceny
- Insect sound
- Ritual
- Troubles
- Ludwig -----
- Austrian physicist of constant fame
- Respective
- Records
- Derived from propylene
- Blackout
- Aces
- Charter
- Gulls
- Successor
- At variance
- Family
- American Transport Service
- Reuse
- Ribbed
- Mid-length skirts
- Junk
- Blockade
- Two-toed sloths
- White fish-eating bird
- Ellipse
- All-encompassing
- Multi-occupancy prison cell
- Regulations
- Protective membrane for eyes

Answers can be found on this page

on the edge

Telephone facts:

■ In 1889, the first coin-operated telephone, patented by Hartford, Connecticut inventor William Gray, was installed in the Hartford Bank. Soon, "pay phones" were installed in stores, hotels, saloons, and restaurants, and their use soared. Local calls using a coin-operated phone in the United States cost only 5 cents everywhere until 1951.

■ In Saudi Arabia, there are solar-powered pay phones in the desert.

■ In one day, the human brain generates more electrical impulses than all the telephones in the world put together. Nerve impulses can travel as fast as 170 miles per hour.

■ When using the first pay telephone, a caller did not deposit coins in the machine. He or she gave them to an attendant who stood next to the telephone. Coin telephones did not appear until 1899.

■ Public telephones and restrooms are not available at the White House. The nearest ones for tourists to use are in the White House Visitor Center, the Visitor Pavilion on the Ellipse and the park area south of the White House.

■ According to the New York Telephone Company, of the 398 million telephones in the world, more than one-third are in the United States.

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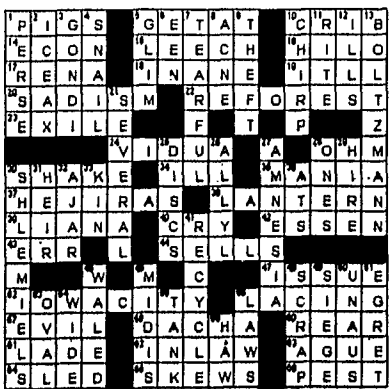
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